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SUBJECT: 1978 SUMMER ECOSOC, ITEM 20, NATURAL RESOURCES:  
PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY

REF: GENEVA 10644

1. DEPT CONCURS WITH USDEL VIEW AS TO UNACCEPTABILITY OF  
DRAFT RESOLUTION IN REFTEL. TO EXTENT FEASIBLE, USDEL  
SHOULD WORK WITH LIKE-MINDED COUNTRIES TO HEAD OFF ITS  
INTRODUCTION. IF THIS IS UNSUCCESSFUL, YOU SHOULD REQUEST  
FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

2. OPERATIVE PARA 2 OF DRAFT RESOLUTION IS ESPECIALLY  
PERNICIOUS. IT WOULD CONDEMN AS ILLEGAL VIRTUALLY ALL  
ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES INTER ALIA IN SOUTH AFRICA AND ISRAEL.

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IT CALLS FOR AN EMBARGO, WHICH WE COULD NOT SUPPORT. IT  
WOULD GO FAR TOWARD ESTABLISHING THE PER SE ILLEGALITY OF  
MNC ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA AND WOULD GIVE SUPPORT TO  
THOSE WHO WISH TO CHARACTERIZE MNC TAX PAYMENTS TO SOUTH  
AFRICA AS "ILLICIT PAYMENTS".

3. USDEL MAY POINT OUT THAT RESOLUTION CONSISTS OF

SWEEPING GENERALITIES WHICH TREAT COMPLEX ISSUES SUPER-  
FICIALLY, AND IS NOT SUPPORTED BY INTERNATIONAL LAW INsofar  
AS IT PAINTS A WIDE VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES WITH THE SAME  
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